

Judging from the many complimentary notices in the papers of the district, it is safe to predict that Senator Drum will have a walk-over for the nomination.

ROBERTS was barred from Congress by a vote of 268 to 50, now according to the Chicago Record's idea, it is Senator Pettigrew's time to bring up the treaty with the Sultan of Zulu.

ROMAN DUM has represented this the 21st Senatorial District for eight years. He has made a dignified and honorable representative of the constituency of this district. He sacrificed business interests to try to enact laws favorable to the laboring people. He accomplished much along this line, but his work is not ended. In fact, the big "oppressors" are hard to keep regulated even in Missouri. His familiarity with legislative work and the prestige accorded a member of the senate after years of service, will enable Robert Drum to be of vast more usefulness to the people during his third term than heretofore.—Wayne County Journal.

THE newspaper comments and conversations heard upon all sides since Mr. Bryan's great meeting in Baltimore again brings up the question of his wonderful power as an orator. It is doubtful if any public man in America since the foundation of the government, ever possessed such a hold upon the great mass of the people as Mr. Bryan does. The secret of his power is not his matchless eloquence, or even his wonderful power of logic and argument. These do not explain the place that Mr. Bryan has won in the hearts of the people. The secret of Mr. Bryan's power lay in the fact that he is honest, speaks his convictions earnestly, but naturally without even the thought of concealing anything from the people. He trusts the people and believes in them. His great hold upon them results from the reciprocal action of mind upon mind. Bryan is a million votes stronger with the American people than any other candidate that can be named by either party.—National Watchman.

THERE is a contemptible whine going up, that Dockery has bought up the country press of Missouri by sending in a year's subscription to each. Indeed the press must be bought. No man, without having himself a sordid, groveling disposition, would make such a charge against the papers of this state, and if those who make these charges were themselves written down as character assassins, we can not see that they would have just cause for complaint. "Suspicion haunts a guilty mind"—possibly they are raising this commotion to draw attention to the fact that their own opinion and "influence" are on the market. The idea of Mr. Dockery, as we take it, is that he believes in the power of the press and thinks he can keep better posted on political drift in the different counties through the county papers than in any other way. Of course he does not read all of them himself, but anything political is brought to his attention.—Fredericktown democrat News

Mr. Dockery has as much right to subscribe for and read county papers as any one else; and, if the country press is so cheap, and so easily manipulated, isn't it strange that Mr. Dockery was allowed all the benefits? The fact of the business is Mr. Dockery has won his position in his campaign for governor by plain old fashioned merit, and all such stuff as the above, only injures those who stoop to use it.

A Tariff Protect Trust.

The print-paper trust has come into existence since the passage of the Dingley tariff act. White paper has virtually doubled in price within the last two years, largely, it is charged, because of the control exercised by the trust.

The print-paper trust might have come into existence, perhaps, without governmental aid, but it cannot be denied that the ability to control prices was due in large measure to the act of the government in protecting the trust from outside competition. The Dingley law imposed high rates of duty on wood pulp and other materials entering into the manufacture of white print paper. In consequence, if the trust could control the principal sources of supply of raw material in this country, which it has succeeded in doing, it could fix the price of paper to consumers to suit itself.

Manifestly, tariff protection in such a case is mischievous instead of serving a good purpose, and the duties ought to be repealed.

THE MARBLE HILL PRESS.

TWENTIETH YEAR.

THE LEADER

Monday February 5th, will open our 14th, Semi-Annual Clearing Sale which has been in the past a grand success, not with-standing the great advances in price on all Merchandise, we have made as big reductions as here-to-fore for we are determined to close out our Fall and Winter Goods. It does not matter how much goods advance in the future, we bought our goods when they were cheap and they must go.

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!

A splendid assortment of Dark shade Calicoes worth 5 cents, sale price, 3 1/2 cents.
A full assortment of Patterns of light shades Calico at a big bargain for 4 cents.
American Blue and all the best Calicoes manufactured, for this sale, only 5 cents.
Dress Gingham, regular price 10 to 12c; go at 7 1/2c.
Apron Gingham reduced for this sale, only 4c.
Domestic, regular price 6 1/2c; sale price, 4 1/2c.
" " " 7c; " " 5c.
" " " 7 1/2c; " " 5 1/2c.
" " " 8c; " " 6c.
Bleach Muslin, regular price 6 1/2c to 7c; sale price, 4c to 5c.
" " " 8c; sale price, 5c.
Bed Ticking, regular price 10c; sale price, 6c.
" " " 10 to 12c; " " 7c.
" " " 17c; " " 10c.
" " " 20c; " " 12c.
" " " 22 1/2c; " " 14c.
Shirtings reduced for this sale, per yard, 4c, 6c and 8c.
All colors worsted, regular price 10c; sale price, 7 1/2c.
Double width, " " 15c; " " 10c.
Dress Flannels 32 inches wide, regular price 60c; sale price, 40c.
Also a pretty line of different colorings in dress Flannels, big reduction in red, white and colored Flannels, Henrietta, Serge, Satine, Cashmere, Water-proof, Eldorado, Canton Flannel, Outing Flannel, Table Linen, Crashes, Corsets, Shawls, etc.

BOOTS and SHOES!

You will be wondering how we can sell boots and shoes so cheap when leather goods are continually advancing. We bought very liberally last fall while shoes were cheap, so we let them go just as we got them, at a bargain.
Men's heavy buckle Shoes, all sizes worth elsewhere \$1.25; sale price, 90c.
Boys' heavy buckle Shoes, all sizes worth elsewhere \$1.10; sale price, 75c.
Men's and boys' better grades in proportion as above.
Men's Fine Shoes, Lace and Congress; worth \$1.75 sale price 90c.
Ladies Button or Heavy Lace Shoes, your choice for 80c.
Fine Button or Lace, regular price 90c; sale price 70c.
" " " 1.25 " 1.00.
" " " 1.35 " 1.05.
Big reductions in Children's Heavy and Fine Shoes and Men's and Ladies Fine Custom made Shoes.
Men's Heavy Boots regular price \$1.90, sale price \$1.45.
" " Custom made Boots, regular price \$2.50 sale price \$1.95.
Men's Heavy Custom made Boots, " " \$3.00 " \$2.20.
Boys' " " " \$1.15 " \$1.00.
" " " \$1.35 " \$1.05.
" " " \$1.75 " \$1.25.
" " " \$2.25 " \$1.50.

GROCERIES! GROCERIES!

Best Granulated Sugar 18lb for \$1.
" Light Brown " 19lb " \$1.
Good " 21lb " 19lb " \$1.
Good " 11lb " 11lb " \$1.
" Roasted " 8lb " \$1.
African Java " fine large bean 7lb for \$1.
Arabian Coffee per package \$1.
Lion " " " \$1.
Early Fund Peas per can \$1.
Best Tomatoes " " \$1.
" Corn " " \$1.
Splendid Laundry Soap 14 lb bars for \$1.
Two pounds good Soda \$1.
Good whole Rice, not chopped, 5lb for \$1.
Regular Life Can Baking Powder for \$1.
We have many other bargains like above which are too numerous to mention, so call early while our stock is complete.

CLOTHING! CLOTHING! CLOTHING!

Men's McKintoshes, all sizes worth \$1.75; Sale price \$1.15.
Men's suits, Brown worth \$3.75 sale price \$2.10.
" " \$3.25 sale price \$2.10.
Boys' suits regular price \$1.25 to \$1.50 sale price only \$3.00.
Boys' suits, Custom made regular price \$1.50 to \$2.00; sale price \$1.00.
Boys' knee suits regular price \$1.50 to \$2.00; sale price \$1.00.
Men's Fine Suits, Gray wool mixed; worth \$4.00 Sale price, \$2.35.
Men's suits worth \$5.00 and \$6.00 will go at \$3.45.
Boys' suits worth \$3.00 sale price \$1.50.
Boys' knee suits worth \$1.10 sale price 75c.
Men's Fine Tailor made suits in Sacks, Frocks and Prince Alberts.
We carry a great variety and for want of space we can not quote prices on all, but we have made fully as big reduction in proportion as the above. Men's and boys' Overcoats are going regardless of cost. We are going to close out our line of Overcoats and Mackintoshes before the season is over therefore, you can look for bargains in this line, also in Ladies', Misses' and Children's Jackets and Capes. Big reduction in Ladies' and Gents' Furnishing goods, Notions, Queensware, Tinware, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Valises and in fact everything goes at a reduced price.

B. ROSENBLUM, THE LEADER.

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AUGUST NENNINGER, Sheriff of Bollinger County.

W. K. CHANDLER, P. M. Att'y.

—Rev. J. H. Headlee, of Caledonia, Mo., aged 79 years, died Saturday night. He was a native of Tennessee and has been in the ministerial service of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, since early manhood. He leaves a widow and four children. Mrs. W. D. Vandiver, wife of Congressman Vandiver, of the Fourteenth District, Mrs. Chappell, wife of Dr. E. B. Chappell, pastor of the West End Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Frank Headlee, merchant, Potosi, Mo.; St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Made Their Nest in a Camera.

A young man in a nearby town is an enthusiastic photographer. He had invested in a rather expensive camera, which, when not in use, he kept in a third story room of his house. For over a week he had been too busy with other things to think about pictures, but on the morning in question he decided to go out and take a few. When he picked up his camera he was surprised to find half a dozen bees flying about it, and as he proceeded through the room a whole army of insects came in a line out of the small opening in the black box cover.

Then the owner placed the camera on a table and started an investigation, which he gave up when the truth flashed upon him that a swarm of bees, which had come in through the open window, had made a hive of the camera. The bees have been dismissed as tenants, but the camera will have to be overhauled before any more pictures can be taken.—Potosi Dispatch.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1900.

Between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon at the north front door of the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, Bollinger County, and State of Missouri, and during the March term of the Circuit court of said Bollinger County, will sell the described real estate, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to public vendue

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